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**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ILLINOIS STATE HIS-
TORICAL SOCIETY, NOVEMBER, 19, 1913, IN
COMMEMORATION OF THE FIFTIETH ANNI-
VERSARY OF THE DELIVERY OF THE
GETTYSBURG ADDRESS.**

Wednesday, November 19, 1913, is the fiftieth anniversary of the dedication of the National Cemetery at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, at which time Mr. Lincoln delivered the brief speech which has been immortalized and become known as the Gettysburg address. Governor Dunne by a special proclamation called the attention of the people of Illinois to this anniversary and asked them to observe it in some special way.

The Illinois State Historical Society will hold a special memorial meeting on the evening of that day, and the Governor has consented to preside over it. Judge J. O. Cunningham of Urbana, Illinois, who was a personal friend of Mr. Lincoln, will tell of his recollections of the great President. Professor F. G. Blair, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, will deliver an address, as will also Hon. Everett Jennings, assistant State's Attorney of Cook County. These

gentlemen are eloquent speakers and deeply feel the greatness of the occasion.

The members of the Society are urged to attend the meeting.

The program in full is as follows:

Meeting Called to Order.....	Dr. Otto L. Schmidt, Chicago President of the Society.
Invocation.....	Rev. E. B. Rogers, D.D., Springfield
Music, "Illinois".....	Apollo Quartette
The Presiding Officer.....	Governor Edward F. Dunne
Music.....	Mrs. Sarajane Mathews Brown
The Gettysburg Address. Recitation.....	Miss Mary Willett
Personal Recollections of Abraham Lincoln.....	Judge J. O. Cunningham, Urbana
Music.....	Mrs. Sarajane Mathews Brown
Address.....	Hon. Francis G. Blair State Superintendent of Public Instruction.
Music.....	Apollo Quartette
Address.....	Hon. Everett Jennings, Chicago, Illinois
Music.....	Apollo Quartette

PROCLAMATION OF THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF ILLINOIS
Executive Department
SPRINGFIELD

WHEREAS, Our martyred president and idolized son of Illinois Abraham Lincoln, delivered his celebrated Gettysburg address on the 19th day of November, 1863, on the battle-field upon which the issue of the great conflict in behalf of liberty, equality and the enfranchisement of the slaves of the United States was determined; and,

WHEREAS, November 19th, 1913, will be the fiftieth anniversary of the delivery of this immortal address; and,

WHEREAS, In common with many other citizens of the State, I deem it appropriate that this inspirational and eloquent utterance should be impressed upon the minds of the people of the State as the typical expression of patriotism and humanity,

Now, THEREFORE, I respectfully urge upon the people of Illinois, and in particular upon those engaged in the education of the youth of the State, that they hold in our schools and other educational institutions and public places services at which shall be read, with reverence and solemnity, this remarkable and undying utterance of the great humanitarian of his age.

In suggesting this observance I do not desire or request the suspension of or the interference with the commercial and business pursuits of our citizens, bearing in mind that within a few days thereafter our time-honored celebration of Thanksgiving Day will be held under the proclamation of the President of the United States and of the Governors of the several states of the Union.

In testimony whereof, I set my hand and cause to be affixed the Great Seal of State, this sixteenth day of October, A. D. 1913.

EDWARD F. DUNNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HARRY WOODS,
Secretary of State.

THE STATE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION.

The Commission for the State Centennial has held three meetings, organized by the election of officers and the appointment of necessary committees, and these committees are busy planning the work of their respective departments.

The officers of the Commission are: Senator Campbell S. Hearn, of Quincy, chairman, and Jessie Palmer Weber, secretary.

The Executive Committee, which was appointed by the chairman of the Commission and which will in a measure manage the business of the Commission, consists of two senators, two members of the House of Representatives, and one member each from the State University and the State His-

torical Society. They are Senators Keller and Magill, Representatives Pervier and Burns, President James, and Dr. Schmidt, and the chairman. Governor E. F. Dunne and State Superintendent of Public Instruction Blair are members *ex officio*.

COMMITTEES OF THE ILLINOIS CENTENNIAL COMMISSION.

- (1) Committee on Statewide Celebrations—
 Senator Keller, Chairman. Members—Prof Garner, Senator Johnson, Representatives Burns, Huston and Pervier, Mrs. Jessie Palmer Weber.
 - (2) Committee on Celebration at State Capital—
 Senator Magill, General Chairman.
 Chairman for Dedicatory Program—President James.
 Chairman for Historical Pageant—Mrs. Jessie Palmer Weber.
 Chairman for Centennial Exposition—Senator Hay.
 (Sub-Committees of Exposition Committee)
 (a) Agriculture—Representative Pervier.
 (b) Livestock—Representative Huston.
 (c) Mining—Representative Morris.
 (d) Manufactures—Representative Baker.
 (e) Transportation—Senator Johnson.
 (f) Education—State Superintendent Blair.
 (g) Arts and Sciences—Professor Garner.
 (h) Historical Relics—Mrs. Jessie Palmer Weber.
 - (3) Committee on Centennial Memorial Building—
 Senator Hay, Chairman. Members—Senator Keller, and Representatives Burns, Baker and Morris.
 - (4) Committee on Centennial Memorial Publications—
 Doctor O. L. Schmidt, Chairman. Members—Representative Baker; President James and Professors Greene and Garner.
 - (5) Committee on Statues and Historical Markings—
 Professor Evarts B. Greene, Chairman. Members—Senators Magill and Johnson; Representative Huston and Doctor Schmidt.
 - (6) Committee on Publicity—
 Representative Burns, Chairman. Members—State Superintendent Blair; Senators Magill and Keller; Representative Morris and Doctor Schmidt.
- Clerk of Commission—LEIGH CALL.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO THE GENERAL COMMITTEE OF THE ILLINOIS CENTENNIAL COMMISSION.

Gentlemen: The undersigned Committee, appointed by you for the purpose of recommendations in regard to the cele-

bration of the Illinois Centennial, herewith begs to report as follows :

The Centennial should illustrate, record and perpetuate the story of Illinois and should comprise a celebration of a solemn jubilant character, which would fall into two divisions as to locality; local celebrations in every County of the State, including at least the County-seats, larger cities and schools; and,

A general celebration at Springfield. This celebration in the capital of the State should have a national and also international character on account of the significant relationship of the State, politically, industrially, commercially and in its historical development, to the United States as well as to European nations.

The extent of this celebration cannot be accurately drawn at present, but it ought to include a concourse of foreign representatives, of high representatives of the United States government, of representatives of other states of the Union and of representatives of the schools, churches and other societies that have ever been active in the making of this great State.

The Springfield celebration should divide itself into a reception of these delegates, proper exercises with orations, out-door forms of celebration such as a civil and military display with pageantry showing important phases of State development. For the latter the loyalty and energy of the Springfield people can be relied upon to co-operate with the general committee.

Furthermore, for the celebration in Springfield the Committee recommends the holding of an exposition of several weeks showing the progress of the State in education, industries, labor conditions, economics, etc., by exhibits and statistics of all kinds. Thus, the farming implements of 1813 should be shown side by side with the modern miracles of farm machinery. In the manufacture of the latter, Illinois stands first in the Union, and its manufacturers will surely lend their active aid to such an exhibit in honor of the State.

The mining industries would show the same marvelous advance. These two examples are given to indicate the direc-

tion and scope of the exhibit. Such an exposition of civilization would show the daily life and routine of work of our pioneers to the life of the present day.

The second phase of the celebration should take the form of dedicating permanent memorials. This permanent marking of the Centennial should be,

First—By a monumental building.

Second—By a monumental publication of the history of Illinois in every phase.

Third—By the unveiling of monuments of the heroes of Illinois. Of these latter monuments, some are now in the planning as of Lincoln and Douglas, but many more deserve to be added.

In consideration of the first division of enduring memorials, that is, the building, it is necessary to consider that the erection of a new State building for the purposes of the State Educational Department, the Illinois State Historical Library, the Illinois State Historical Society, the Illinois State Library, the Illinois State Museum of Natural Science and a Memorial Hall, has been under consideration for a number of years, but has not yet passed out of the preliminary stage.

Your Committee recommends that the Centennial Committee seek the co-operation of the present committee for the erection of the State Educational Building so as to eventually unite into one committee for the purpose of the completion of such a building for dedication at the time of the Centennial, and that such committee, as well as building, be known under some suitable and suggestive title as the Committee for the **Erection of the Illinois Centennial Memorial Building**. Such building should be of the most durable, permanent material and also of an architectural character that will make it an everlasting monument of the celebration.

The second object of recommendation for a permanent instrument of the Centennial is a publication of the natural, economic, political and sociological history of the State. There are at present a number of books on these subjects, but there is no complete authoritative series on these activities of the State extant. The books on the subject are as a whole

not exhaustive, with few exceptions, not of the standard that is worthy of the State of Illinois. The necessity of such a publication setting forth not alone the deeds of the past century, but also the sociological and industrial prospect of the future is apparent, but the consideration of the question of such a publication is left to the further consideration of the General Committee. Your Executive Committee is satisfied of the importance and significance of such an undertaking, but believes that it had better at present be left for more thorough consideration.

Your Executive Committee has no further recommendations for the time of holding the celebration than that given at our first general meeting. The celebration would best be held in October when the weather would be favorable throughout the whole State. A special celebration of a solemn character should be held in the State House, churches of the State, societies, etc., on December 3rd, the actual date of the admission of our State into the galaxy of commonwealths comprising the Federal Union of 1818.

The Committee, therefore, recommends the appointment of special committees for each of the purposes above mentioned. Inasmuch as the success of the Centennial will from the beginning to its ultimate occurrence depend on the interest and understanding of the citizens of Illinois of its purpose, it is highly recommended that a Department of Publicity for the spread of knowledge in regard to the scope of the Centennial Commission's work should be immediately instituted. Such a department should consist of a special committee having in its employ a person versed in the methods of publicity; such publicity would be necessarily carried on largely through the State Department of Education as well as through the newspapers.

The loyalty of the Illinois public press to its State is well known, so that the Committee feels assured of the generosity and good will of the press toward its undertaking.

We recommend sending to each newspaper in this State an invitation to co-operate with us by publishing both such articles as the Commission may send out and original articles and letters tending to arouse general interest. That we in-

vite original literary contributions from all sources for use by the Commission.

That we invite the superintendents of schools and teachers of all the schools of the State to have read to the pupils at various times articles calculated to instruct the school children of Illinois in the ways in which Illinois has grown from the hunting grounds of roving savages to the abode of highly civilized and educated men.

That we solicit from the old people of our State their recollections of the men and women of early times and the acts and sacrifices that mark our history and development.

Your Executive Committee has under consideration the appointment of special committees for the objects mentioned, viz:

First—Committee on state-wide celebrations.

Second—Committee on celebration at State capital—

(a) Historical pageant.

1—Agriculture.

2—Livestock

3—Mining.

4—Manufactures.

5—Transportation.

(b) Exposition.

6—Education.

7—Arts and Sciences.

8—Historical Relics.

(c) Program of Dedicatory Exercises.

Third—Committee on Memorial Building.

Fourth—Committee on Centennial Memorial Publications.

Fifth—Committee on Statues and Historical Markings.

Sixth—Committee on Publicity.

These committees were appointed and a list given on page 460 of this number of the Journal.

RESIGNATION OF MISS MAUDE THAYER.

The friends and patrons of the Illinois State Library will be sorry to hear of the resignation of Miss Maude Thayer, who has been for more than sixteen years, first assistant or acting State librarian.

The secretary of state by virtue of his office is State librarian, but of course his chief deputy librarian has charge of the Library and its affairs.

The friends of the Library and of Miss Thayer will be glad to know that what is the Library's loss is the gain of a worthy gentleman, as Miss Thayer leaves the Library to be married, early in the new year, to Mr. J. F. Morrow of Chicago.

Maude Thayer has given to the State Library sixteen of the very best years of her life. She was appointed to the position of second assistant librarian in April, 1897, by the State Library Board or Commission, which then consisted of John R. Tanner, Governor; James A. Rose, Secretary of State, and Samuel M. Inglis, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and she was promoted on the resignation of the first assistant librarian.

She brought to the work culture, industry and a peculiar critical faculty that enabled her to buy books with discrimination, and her work has resulted in the accumulation for the Library of an extraordinary collection of practical and general reference works.

Miss Thayer has been employed in the State Library a greater length of time than any other acting librarian in the history of the Library, and she has, of course, made hosts of acquaintances and friends, all of whom will gladly testify to her ability and courtesy.

The Library will always bear the impress of her administration of its affairs and its admirably selected and well classified materials will be an enduring monument to her efforts.

Miss Thayer is a talented musician and she has been one of the leading spirits of the Amateur Musical Club of Springfield. She has for years been a member of the Springfield Authors' Club, and of the Illinois State Historical Society.

The best wishes of the members of these associations will go with her to her new home, and it is certain that her talents and industry will continue to enrich any community or society of which she may be a part.

A SOLDIERS' MONUMENT.

Woman Leaves \$10,000.00 for Shaft—The will of Mary M. Newton, one of the wealthy women of Batavia, Illinois, has been filed for probate. The executors are instructed to erect a \$10,000.00 monument to the soldiers who enlisted at Batavia in the Civil War. The name of each man enlisting at Batavia is to be inscribed on the stone.

GIFTS OF BOOKS, LETTERS, PHOTOGRAPHS AND MANUSCRIPTS TO THE ILLINOIS STATE HISTORICAL LIBRARY AND SOCIETY.

The following named books, letters, photographs and manuscripts have been presented to the library. The Board of Trustees of the Library and the officers of the Society desire to acknowledge the receipt of these valuable contributions and to thank the donors for them:

History of the United States and Its People, From Their Earliest Records to the Present Time. By Elroy McKendree Avery. 7 Vols, 8 vo., Cleveland, Ohio, 1904-1910. Burrows Bros., Pubs. Gift of Dr. Otto L. Schmidt, Chicago, Illinois.

Copy of the Journal of the Senate of the Fourth General Assembly of the State of Illinois, at Their First Session, Begun and Held at the Town of Vandalia, November 15, 1824. 282 p. 12 mo. Vandalia, 1824. Printed by Robert Blackwell & Co., Printers to the State. Gift of Mr. George H. Waters, Shelbyville, Illinois.

Abraham Lincoln. Speech of Hon. James M. Graham of Illinois in the United States House of Representatives, February 12, 1913. 15 p. 8 vo. Washington, D. C. United States Government Publications, 1913. Gift of Hon. James M. Graham, Springfield, Illinois.

The First National Bank of Chicago—Charter Number Eight. A brief history of its progress from the day on which it opened for business, July 1, 1863, to the same date a half century later, with which is incorporated a sketch of the First Trust & Savings Bank. 87 p. 8 vo. Chicago, 1913. M. A. Donohue & Co., Pubs. Gift of the Directors of the First National Bank of Chicago.

Tolerance in Religion. Liberal Thoughts of Modern Thinkers. Collected by Henry Biroth. 121 p. 8 vo. Privately printed, 1913. Gift of Mrs. Stella Biroth Massey, 130 Vermont Street, Blue Island, Illinois.

The Illustrated History of the Centennial Exhibition Held in Commemoration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of American Independence. Phila-

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Key to the Heaven of the Beyan or a Third Call of Attention to the Behaists or Babists of America. By August J. Stenstrand, 34 p. 8 vo. Chicago, 1911. Publisher not given. Gift of Mr. A. J. Stenstrand, 217 West Elm Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Soldiers and Their Deeds. Compiled by W. Straley, Editor of the Hico News-Review, Hico, Texas. 25 p. 8 vo., Hico, Texas, 1913. Hico Printing Co. Gift of W. Straley, Hico, Texas.

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Old Santa Fe. A Magazine of History, Archaeology, Genealogy and Biography. Published at Santa Fe, New Mexico. Gift of Ralph Emerson Twitchell, ed.

A True Sketch of His Army Life. By Stephen C. Beck, 51 p. 8 vo., 1913. Place and publisher not given. Gift of Stephen C. Beck, Edgar, Clay County, Nebraska. Resident for the past forty years of Edgar, Clay County, Nebraska.

The Railway Library 1912 (Fourth Series). A collection of noteworthy addresses and papers, mostly delivered or published during the year named. Thompson Slason, Comp. and Ed. 470 p. 8 vo. Chicago, 1913. Stromberg, Allen & Co., Pubs. Gift of the Railway News Bureau, Chicago, Illinois.

The Germans of Chicago and Stephen A. Douglas. By F. I. Herriott, professor of Economics and Political Science, Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa. Reprinted from *Deutsch-Amerikanische Geschichtsblaetter*, January, 1912. Gift of F. I. Herriott.

First Baptist Church, Urbana, Illinois. Seventy-fifth Anniversary History of the First Baptist Church, Urbana, Illinois. Organized Sept. 21, 1838. Diamond Jubilee Week Sept. 21-28, 1913. 106 p. 8 vo. Urbana, Illinois, 1913. Gift of the Historic Committee: L. A. McLean, Chairman; Rev. G. M. Shott, Secretary; Mrs. Melissa Carson, Mrs. Margaret Walker, Mrs. R. A. Webber, N. A. Riley.

A Record of the Descendants of George Hull. Delos Hull, Comp. 53 p. 8vo. Oak Park, 1909. Gift of Mr. Delos Hull, Oak Park, Illinois.

The Colchester Conn. Newton Family. Descendants of Thomas Newton of Fairfield, Connecticut, 1639. Compiled by Clair Alonzo Newton. 134 p. 12 mo. Naperville, Illinois, 1911. Publisher not given. Gift of Mr. Clair A. Newton, Naperville, Illinois.

The Families of French of Belturbet and Nixon of Fermanagh and Their Descendants. By the Rev. Henry Biddall Swanzy, M.A. Printed for private circulation. 211 p. 8 vo., Dublin, 1908. Printed by Alex Thom & Co. Gift of Mr. A. Swanzy, Princeton, Illinois.

Fourteen Numbers of Illinois College Rambler. Pub. by Illinois College, Jacksonville, Illinois. Gift of Mr. Morrison Worthington, Jacksonville, Illinois.

Marietta College Bulletin. Vol. II, No. 1, Nov. 1912. Memorial of President Alfred Tyler Perry. Gift of Yale University, New Haven, Conn.

The Register of the Kentucky State Historical Society. January, 1912, to September, 1913. 6 Nos. Pub. Frankfort, Ky., Mrs. Jennie C. Morton, Secretary. Gift of the Kentucky State Historical Society, Frankfort, Kentucky.

History of the Ordinance of 1787. By Edward Coles, formerly Governor of Illinois, Member of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania. Read before the Historical Society of Pennsylvania June 9, 1856. 33 p. 8 vo. Philadelphia, 1856. Press of the Society. Gift of Mr. John W. Jordan, Librarian Historical Society of Pennsylvania.

The Picture Book of Earlier Buffalo. 508 p. 8vo. Buffalo, New York, 1912.

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James Harlan—By Johnson Brigham. 398 p. 8 vo. Iowa City, Iowa, 1913. Gift of the Iowa State Historical Society, Iowa City, Iowa.

History of the Baptist Church of Woodford County. By A. F. Marshall, A.B. Democrat-Journal Print, Eureka, Illinois, 1913. 45 p. Gift of the author.

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Letters Patent issued to Zadoc W. Flinn to lands in Morgan County; David Clopton, Sangamon County. Zadoc W. Flinn, assignee for John Doonigan. 14 papers, dated 1826, 1827, 1833, 1834, 1835, 1837, 1839, 1841. Gift of Miss Lucille Frances Sallee, Virginia, Illinois, grand-daughter of Zadoc W. Flinn.

Announcement of a Meeting of Williamsburg Tippecanoe Association. October 20, 1840. Gift of Miss Annie C. Butler, Rockford, Illinois.

Original Letter From General S. A. Hurlbut to Dr. I. M. Butler, Dated Washington, D. C., January 7, 1878. Gift of Miss Annie C. Butler.

Original Letter of John A. Logan to Dr. I. M. Butler, Dated Chicago, November 28, 1878. Gift of Miss Annie C. Butler, Rockford, Illinois.

Copy of Cataract and Waterfall or Massachusetts Washingtonian. Vol. I, No. 50. Worcester, Massachusetts, February 28, 1844 (newspaper). Gift of Mr. S. H. Drury, 1610 Fort Dearborn Building, Chicago, Illinois.

Three Photographic Copies of Lincoln Documents. Gift of Miss Helen Allen, Springfield, Illinois.

Two Photographs. Governor John Reynolds' Home, Belleville, Illinois. Home of Governor Ninian Edwards, Belleville, Illinois. Also Photograph of Tomb of Governor Reynolds, Belleville. Gift of Hon. Fred J. Kern, Belleville, Illinois.

One Photograph of Camp Yates Boulder, 333 South Douglas Avenue, Springfield, Illinois, marks spot from which General U. S. Grant began his march to Missouri in 1861. War of the Rebellion. Gift of Mr. J. E. Melick, 333 South Douglas Avenue, Springfield, Illinois.